

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 581

By Eldridge

A RESOLUTION to recognize Hubert Williams for his many years of service on the Board of Directors of Youth Town.

WHEREAS, the members of this General Assembly take great pleasure in honoring those public servants who have dedicated themselves to improving the quality of life for their fellow citizens; and

WHEREAS, Hubert Williams of Jackson is one such estimable individual, who has served as a board member of and volunteer at Youth Town for more than fifty years; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Williams has been involved with Youth Town since its inception in 1962, when he served as a volunteer, photographer, and board member; and

WHEREAS, more than fifty-three years later, Mr. Williams still serves on the Youth Town Board of Directors, and he played an instrumental role in the opening of the Eden of Youth Town Program for Girls in Beech Bluff in 2015; and

WHEREAS, Youth Town of Tennessee is a Christ-centered residential treatment facility for boys and girls, ages twelve to eighteen, that offers hope to boys, girls, and their families through an environment embodying the unconditional love of Christ; and

WHEREAS, before becoming involved with Youth Town, Hubert Williams bravely defended his country as an advanced army infantry sharpshooter in the European Theater of World War II. As a member of Company G, 16th Infantry, 1st Division, Mr. Williams was one of the first Allied soldiers to cross the Siegfried Line; and

WHEREAS, for his service in the war, Mr. Williams was awarded the Bronze Star, Purple Heart with one oak leaf cluster, the World War II Victory Medal, and the European-African-Middle Eastern Campaign Medal; and

WHEREAS, Hubert Williams's remarkable success as a public servant and civic leader is directly attributable to his reliance on hard work and common sense and his uncommon ability to work well with people from all walks of life; and

WHEREAS, his many professional accomplishments aside, Mr. Williams is appreciative of the love and support of his wife, Betty Williams, with whom he has shared more than sixty-five years of marriage; and

WHEREAS, Hubert Williams epitomizes the ideal of the consummate professional, dedicated public servant, and reliable friend and neighbor; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Williams is wholly committed to the noble precepts that have earned Tennessee recognition as the Volunteer State, and he should be specially recognized; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we honor and commend Mr. Hubert Williams for more than fifty-three years of service as a member of the Board of Directors of Youth Town, as we salute his unswerving commitment to living the examined life with courage and conviction.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.